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INFO AMEMBASSY SANTO DOMINGO

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TAGS: PDIP, OAS, PINR, HO, DR (KNIPPING VICTORIA, ELADIO)

SUBJ: NEW DOMINICAN AMBASSADOR TO THE OAS

REF: (A) SANTO DOMINGO 4789, (B) STATE 225310 (NOTAL)

1. NEWLY APPOINTED DOMINICAN AMBASSADOR TO THE OAS, ELADIO KNIPPING VICTORIA, PRESENTLY RECOVERING FROM A BOUT WITH DENGUE FEVER, EXPECTS TO TRAVEL TO SANTO DOMINGO IN OCTOBER AND THENCE TO WASHINGTON. KNIPPING WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY HIS WIFE, SOLEDAD, AND TWO CHILDREN, MARY LU AND ELADIO MIGUEL, AGES 14 AND 10.

2. DURING HIS FOUR YEARS IN TEGUCIGALPA, KNIPPING BECAME VICE-DEAN OF THE SMALL DIPLOMATIC CORPS. BECAUSE THE NUNCIO, WHO IS ALSO ACCREDITED TO NICARAGUA, IS OFTEN OUT OF THE COUNTRY, HE WAS FOR MANY PURPOSES THE CORPS DEAN. KNIPPING USED THIS POSITION, AND HIS PLEASANT PROFESSIONAL MANNER, TO ESTABLISH HIMSELF WELL WITHIN HONDURAN GOVERNMENT AND SOCIETY AND EFFECTIVELY PROMOTE DOMINICAN INTERESTS.

3. KNIPPING MAINTAINED FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH EMBOFFS, AND OFTEN WARMLY RECALLED HIS FRIENDSHIPS WITH EMBASSY
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SANTO DOMINGO OFFICERS DURING HIS TOURS THERE.

4. HIS WIFE IS INTELLIGENT, AND AMBITIOUS FOR HER HUSBAND'S CAREER. BROUGHT UP IN SPAIN BY MODEST PARENTS, SHE IS HARD WORKING AND FRIENDLY, BUT PREFERS NOT TO REFER TO HER ORIGINS. SHE AND HER HUSBAND WORK WELL AS A TEAM.

5. IN SUM, KNIPPING IS A PROFESSIONAL, CAPABLE DIPLO-
MAT WHO SHOULD BE A POSITIVE ADDITION TO THE OAS.
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